REMARKS

The foregoing Preliminary Amendment accompanies the request for commencement of the National Stage in the above-identified international application. This amendment is intended to remove the exemplary reference numbers and multiple dependencies and otherwise bring the claims into more typical U.S. format. These are amendments of form and not substance of the claims. In addition a replacement drawing sheet including FIGS. 1 and 2 is submitted herewith correcting the location of reference number 35.

It is believed this preliminary amendment now has placed the application in condition for consideration and allowance. If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this and concurrent replies to charge payment (or credit any overpayment) to Deposit Account No. 50-2298 of Luce, Forward, Hamilton & Scripps.

Respectfully submitted,

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